

Meeting Minutes  
**Council-Citizens Committee**  
**Marina Park Design**

Location: Council Chambers  
9:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 25, 2007

1. **Welcome and Introduction.** Chairman Selich convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. The following persons were in attendance:

Committee Members

- Mayor Pro Tem Ed Selich (Chair)
- Council Member Don Webb
- Council Member Michael Henn
- Tom Billings (Protect Our Parks)
- Bill Garrett (Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commissioner)
- Tom Olivas (Rep. for Girl Scout Council of Orange County)
- Billy Whitford (Rep. for sailing or rowing organization)
- Grace Dove (Neighborhood Rep.)

Committee Members Absent

- John Corrough (Harbor Commissioner)
- Randal Eling (American Legion Post 291)

City Staff

- Dave Kiff, Assistant City Manager
- Wes Morgan, Recreation and Senior Services Director
- Sean Levin, Recreation Superintendent
- Chris Miller, Harbor Resources Supervisor
- Kim Rieff, Department Assistant

Consultants

- Dan Herman, Rabben/Herman Design
- Mark Reader

Members of the public

- Fred Anderson
- Chandler Bell
- Tim Bundy (Bundy Finkel Architects)
- Carter Ford
- Dave Lambert (American Legion Post 291)
- John Reynolds (Commodore American Legion Post 291)
- Jim Smiley

2. **Public Comment – Non Agenda Items** – None

3. **Update Since Last Meeting**

Mr. Herman said at the last meeting he received clear definition on the building in terms of reducing the size of the banquet facility, providing a restaurant, the number of tennis courts and moving the basketball courts, and agreeing to meet with the American Legion to create a plan feasible for their membership.

Mr. Bundy gave a PowerPoint Presentation (attached) which he handed out.

Mr. Bundy said he's looked at how the multipurpose rooms were being prepared and how much space was allocated to each room. He said he reduced the classrooms and multipurpose rooms to a total of four. The banquet space has been reduced down to seat about 80 people. The Community Center total is approximately 8,500 square feet on the ground floor; the total building is approximately 10,000 square feet and the Aquatic Center is approximately 9,660 square feet.

Mr. Bundy said the elevations are starting to pick up the nautical themes; the materials are concrete, stone, plaster, and a metal roof. Council Member Henn said he would like to see better articulation and architectural detail to add interest.

Mr. Herman said for the Youth Sailing Center he is looking at the same sort of system being used at the Sea Base and OCC which are the floating interlocking plastic crates. He asked about storing sabots on the docks like they are doing at the other sailing centers.

Continuing, Mr. Herman said he developed the play area as a take-off on the harbor. There are a series of islands, a pier, an old port and a ship. We have taken the restroom and created a light house. In the play area the island section is for the smaller children and the pier and the ship are for the older children.

Mr. Herman said he has 108 parking spaces on the plan and the requirements are 130 spaces. He said he will be talking with the Planning Department about the parking issues. Council Member Webb said regarding the parking he would like to see it expand beyond the 108 spaces. He recommended twelve more spaces.

Chairman Selich said he liked Billy Whitford's idea about having a sub-group for the programming. He asked Mr. Morgan to head up the sub-group.

Chairman Selich said he would like to see stronger design elements.

**4. Action Item Summary**

Chairman Selich said he would like Mr. Morgan, Mr. Whitford and the Girl Scout group get together and create a formal program and a couple of alternative programs on how we are going to operate the Aquatic Center facility. An analysis of the joint-use of the parking as well as Council Member Webb's suggestion of expanding the parking lots should be done; the café and the office area need to be looked at as well as the refinements for strengthening up the elevations and making a stronger statement. We'll discuss the possibilities with the American Legion.

**5. Public Comments**

Mr. Ford said the sub-group for the Marine Facility would be wonderful. He agrees with the parking, would like to see the park accessed more by water than by car and would like to see a large percentage of the marina be temporary boat tie-up and not purely a visiting vessel marina.

A member of the public said he thinks the creativity is terrific. The water play area being removed would be unfortunate. The basketball courts should be half courts only. The amphitheater and lighthouse are outstanding.

**6. Adjourn & Set Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for August 29th at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.